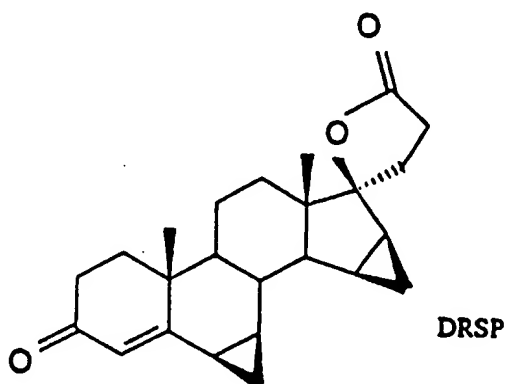


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Abstract

Process for the production of drospirenone (6 β ,7 β ; 15 β ,16 β -dimethylene-3-oxo-17 α -pregn-4-ene-21,17-carbolactone, DRSP) (1) and 7 α -(3-hydroxy-1-propyl)-6 β ,7 β ; 15 β ,16 β -dimethylene-5 β -androstande-3 β ,5,17 β -triol (ZK 92836) and 6 β ,7 β ; 15 β ,16 β -dimethylene-5 β -hydroxy-3-oxo-17 α -androstande-21,17-carbolactone (ZK 90965) as intermediate products of the process.



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